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March 20, 2024

Sent via Email (No Original to Follow): councillor_thompson@toronto.ca

Michael Thompson
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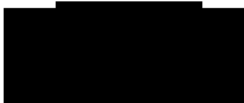
Dear Councillor Thompson:

Re: Sponsored attendance provided by the Canadian Congress of Black Parliamentarians to attend the 2023 Canadian Congress of Black Parliamentarians, from August 9 to 11, 2023

Following my letter to you dated August 3, 2023, I am writing to update you on the posting of the information you have provided in connection with this travel.

As you paid for travel and accommodation for to attend this event from of your office budget, those details will be documented on the City Clerk's website. For purposes of the gift disclosure registry, the gift/benefit provided by the Canadian Congress of Black Parliamentarians to you is the entertainment and reception included in the event. As the entertainment and reception are considered a gift but the precise value was not provided by the event organizers and is minimal, our Office will document the value on our website as not available (N/A).

Yours truly,



Jonathan Batty
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Cc: Lesley Ruscica, Manager, Council & Support Services
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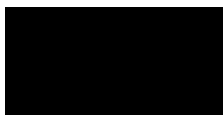
Thank you for providing me with a Travel Declaration Form for the above-noted trip. I confirm that the information submitted is in compliance with section 4.2(6) of Article 4 (Gifts and Benefits) of the *Code of Conduct for Members of Council* as you were invited by the **Canadian Congress of Black Parliamentarians** and you will be attending in your official capacity as a member of City Council.

I form this view based on my review of:

1. the Travel Declaration Form dated August 3, 2023;
2. an invitation from Michael Coteau, Member of Parliament for Don Valley East, Canadian Congress of Black Parliamentarians.

This letter, the Travel Declaration Form, and attached supporting material will be posted on the Integrity Commissioner's website, toronto.ca/integrity, in accordance with the *Code of Conduct for Members of Council*. If you have any questions about the disclosure of gifts and benefits, please do not hesitate to contact this Office.

Yours truly,



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Enclosures (3): Travel Declaration Form dated August 3, 2023 (1 page)
 Invitation and Agenda (2 pages)

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This form is used in the declaration of travel costs provided by a third party for Council Members in the performance of their duties if the value exceeds \$300, or if total value received from any one source during a calendar year exceeds \$300.

INFORMATION TO BE COMPLETED BY COUNCIL MEMBER

Council Member:	Michael Thompson
Purpose of Trip:	Attend the Congress of Black Parliamentarian Conf.
Travel Destination:	OTTAWA
Travel Dates:	Aug 9-11
Additional Information:	

Travel Expenses Covered by Third Party (please complete all that apply)

Sponsor of Travel:	Name:	
	Type of Sponsor (check all that apply): <input type="checkbox"/> Government <input type="checkbox"/> Other organization <input type="checkbox"/> Conference Organizer	
Registration Fees:	\$	0
Travel:	\$	0
Accommodation:	\$	0
Ground Transportation:	\$	0
Per Diem/Sundry Expenses:	\$	0
TOTAL:	\$	0
Expenses Paid from Council Business Travel Budget	\$	0
Expenses Paid from Constituency Services & Office Budget or the annual operating budget for the Office of the Mayor	\$	1,459.34 Estimate
Expenses paid from other City of Toronto sources	\$	Source:

Please attach all pertinent information to this form including invitation letter from event organizer, copies of receipts, etc.)

Signed by Council Member

Date: Aug 3, 2023

The personal information on this form is collected under the authority of the City of Toronto Act, 2006, ss. 157 and 159, and By-Laws 1076-2006, 154-2007 and 861-2008. The information is used to ensure compliance with the Code of Conduct for Members of Council and will be made public. The information will be provided to the Office of the City Clerk to report the donation as a Gift and Benefit. Questions about this collection can be directed to the Integrity Commissioner, 375 University Avenue, Suite 202, Toronto ON M5G 2J5, at 416-392-3826, or at integrity@toronto.ca.

From: Coteau, Michael - M.P. <michael.coteau@parl.gc.ca>
Sent: July 7, 2023 9:41 AM
Cc: Sardinha, Christopher (Coteau, Michael - MP)
Subject: CCBP Agenda and Survey/CCPN ordre du jour et enquête



Dear Colleagues,

We would like to provide you with an update regarding the upcoming Canadian Congress of Black Parliamentarians meeting scheduled to take place in Ottawa from August 9th to 11th.

We have drafted the agenda for the meeting which you can find attached.

During our meeting we are planning to have an open discussion on the top 3 issues identified as a group through the survey below. Previous meetings have built consensus upon subjects such as supporting the UN International Decade for People of African Descent and have independently worked to advance that issue; among others, across the country in our respective jurisdictions.

Please select your top 3 issues on the [form here](#).

It is essential that the survey is filled out in a timely fashion in order to have time to properly arrange subject matter experts. Please kindly RSVP and fill out the survey by Monday, July 10th.

This year, based on previous meetings' consensus, we have extended invitations to municipal leaders, as well as former Black parliamentarians. If you are aware of any Black elected representatives at the municipal level that would be interested in joining, including city councilors and trustees, we kindly request that you provide their names by forwarding them to Tre at tre.roseau.419@parl.gc.ca. Additionally, if you would like to reach MP Coteau directly, his cell phone number is 416-887-5406.

For members who have expressed their wish to attend and are attempting to book travel, we have attached a list of hotels close to Parliament Hill that may help your considerations.

If you have any questions please do not hesitate to contact us,

We look forward to seeing you at this year's 2023 Canadian Congress of Black Parliamentarians.

Respectfully,

Michael Coteau, Member of Parliament for Don Valley East,
Hon. Tony Ince, Member of Legislative Assembly for Cole Harbour-Portland Valle



09

Aug

02:00 PM

Private tour of Parliament

Location: West Block

**Tentative*

07:00 PM

Social gathering

Location: TBD

10

Aug

08:00 AM

Breakfast

Location: West Block Room 025-B

09:00 AM

Federal parliamentarians update

Location: West Block Room 225-A

11:00 AM

Provincial parliamentarians update

Location: West Block Room 225-A

12:30 PM

Lunch

Location: West Block Room 025-B

1:30 PM

Municipal leaders update

Location: West Block Room 225-A

3:30 PM

Consensus building on top 3 issues to help build a national political strategy

Location: West Block Room 225-A

7:00 PM

Evening Reception

Location: West Block Room 035-B

11

Aug

09:00 AM

Drafting joint press release and identifying the CCBP priorities

Location: West Block Room 225-A

**Coffee and Bakery platter will be provided*